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Upcoming Division Events

Saturday, 13 November 1999
The Battle of Secessionville in Charleston, SC.

Saturday, 20 November 1999
The Bee Camp #1575, Aiken SC announce that they, along with the descendants of Confederate Veteran Jonathan Johnson, will host a VA Marker dedication at the Scott Cemetery, Langdon Rd., off Hwy 302, 10 miles outside Aiken. They request assistance from reenactors, those with an artillery piece, and compatriots of SCV. Contact Eugene Barron, 11 Roslyn Circle, Aiken, SC 29803, (803) 648-6072, if you can assist.

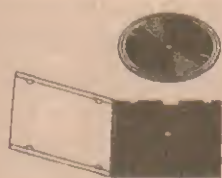
Saturday, 4 December 1999
8:00 pm-12:00 am

The M. L. Bonham Camp #48 will host its annual Christmas Ball. The location will be Uptown View, Saluda, SC. A live, stringed-instrument band will provide music. Food will be plentiful. 19th Century clothes are encouraged; however, semi-formal attire will be accepted. A photographer will be on hand. This is a non-alcoholic event. The Ball will begin with a promenade around the ballroom. The music and dances will be mid-to-late-Victorian, with the room decorated for Christmas. Tickets are \$20.00 per person in advance or \$25.00 at the door. For any information please contact Mr. Roy Vandegrift at 864-445-2782 or Ms. Mary Parkman at 864-445-9295.

Saturday, 4 December 1999
The 2nd SC Reg., Camp #71, will host its annual Old South Social. Saturday, 4 December 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at the Barn, Table Rock State Park in Pickens County. Tickets are \$12.00 each. — LeRoy Caudell, 133 Rock View Cir., Easley, SC 29640 (864) 859-0847 for tickets.

Saturday, 22 January 2000
The Bee Camp #1575 will host its annual Lee/Jackson Banquet on Saturday, 22 January 2000, at 7:00 pm, at the Aiken County Shrine Club on Highway #1 North, Aiken, SC. — Eugene Barron, 11 Roslyn Circle, Aiken, SC 29803. Any questions, please call (803) 648-6072.

CD-Rom Version of the Partisan Now Available



The Editor has produced a "Portable Digital File" version of all of this Year's *Partisan* issues on CD-Rom. This enables Compatriots with computers, including public libraries, to have the entire year's issues in electronic form. The issue can be searched and read with Adobe Acrobat Reader 4.0 which is included on the disk. Cost is \$10.00 + \$5.00 (s/h). Camps could donate a copy to their local libraries where compatriots could access them at any time. If you are interested in purchasing the first 4 issues published during my editorship, send a check for \$15.00 via snail mail to: Rick Barbare, P.O. Box 12, Trenton, SC 29847-0012. There are some bonus items included on the CD-Rom at no extra charge. Get your copy today!

Deadline for the next issue is

January 1, 2000.

Please get all announcements and stories to me by that date.



So-called "Flag Plan" Is Not a Compromise!

By: Ed H. Walker, Jr., Rock Hill

Let's stop the talk about a flag "compromise." There is no compromise; in any compromise the supporters of the battle flag will lose again.

We were told we must compromise when there was a wholesale movement of monuments to our family members who perished in the War Between the States. We were told we must compromise when the song "Dixie" was banned from all public functions. We were told we must compromise when the names of public buildings had to be changed because the founders of the greatest nation on the face of the earth were suddenly offensive to a politically correct, self-serving group struggling to hear their own voices.

We were told we must compromise when historically accurate symbols of Southern heritage were—and still are being—banned from parades. We were told that we must compromise when students were forbidden to display the battle flag inside or outside any arena of competition. Now we are being told by NASCAR that we must compromise and not display the battle flag

Reburial of Confederate Veterans Planned for Nov. 12th

By: Bill Baber Secession Camp # 4, Charleston, SC

Charlestonians and the members of Secession Camp # 4 would like to invite all Southerners to a uniquely special event. On November 12, 1999 we will have a funeral procession for those brave Confederate Veterans whose remains were exhumed from their resting place under The Citadel's Johnson Haygood Stadium, and we will rebury them in Magnolia Cemetery with full Military Honors.

The funeral procession will start at 10:00 a.m. at White Point Gardens. (The Battery) downtown Charleston, and will proceed 4.5 miles to the Cemetery with the remains of the Veterans being carried on 20 Artillery Caissons, with a full Military Honor Guard. It will probably be one of the largest Military Parades and Funeral Procession you will ever witness.

Burial Ceremonies will be held at 2:00 p.m. that day in Magnolia Cemetery. All SCV members are invited to attend and would be welcome to march in the processional. This event will be held the day prior to the Reenactment of the Battle of Secessionville, which is an annual event in Charleston.

at races. (Thank goodness the fans have thumbed their noses at that attempt!)

People in the media also have intimated that some citizens who were assaulted for displaying the flag on their privately-owned vehicles must now compromise their First Amendment rights or face the justifiable wrath of "hoodlums."

Surely we must see that there can be no "compromise" in removing the battle flag, because there will be no stopping the people who want it banned from the face of the earth. Removal would be only their first step, so let's stop using the word *compromise* when it comes to discussion about the battle flag.

One last thing, the Battle Flag—replica of the Battle Flag of the Army of Northern Virginia—is *not* coming down, so our opponents should direct their energies to more productive endeavors.

SCV Passes Two 'Pro' Battle Flag Resolutions at its Mobile Convention

From the Beauregard Bugle, September 1999 issue

During the national reunion in Mobile, Alabama last month, the Sons of Confederate Veterans passed two resolutions regarding the NAACP's announced boycott of the Palmetto State. The resolutions are as follows:

Resolution: Whereas, the Confederate battle flag is a symbol of courage, bravery, honor, adherent to constitutional principle and the right of self-government; and Whereas, the Confederate battle flag has been consecrated with the blood of fallen heroes, the Confederate soldier, and Whereas the sovereign state of South Carolina nobly flies the Confederate battle flag above her State House as a remembrance of the sacrifices of the Confederate soldier during his struggle for Southern independence; and Whereas, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has called for a boycott of South Carolina because the honorable Confederate battle flag flies above her State House; Therefore,

be it resolved on this 31 st day of July in the year of our Lord 1999 in convention assembled in Mobile, Ala., the Son of Confederate Veterans rejects this boycott and encourages all to respect historic symbols of Southern heritage such as the Confederate battle flag. Furthermore, the Sons of Confederate Veterans commends the sovereign state of South Carolina for flying the Confederate battle flag on her State House and encourages all fair-minded Americans to visit South Carolina to enjoy the many attractions South Carolina has to offer. The Sons of Confederate Veterans further encourages all members to make a special effort to attend the 2000 international Reunion of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to be held in Charleston. Done this 31 st day of July, 1999, in Mobile, Ala.

Resolution: Be it known that the Sons of Confederate Veterans is charged to uphold and defend the good name of the Confederate soldier, who came from every ethnic, racial, religious and economic background present in the South, and in

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Important Message from Our Commander



Fellow-Compatriots of the SC Division,

We are gearing up for a new round in the ongoing "Flag fight." The SCV has always been out in front of the fight to maintain the Battleflag atop the Statehouse dome. This time around we have allies who have come to our aid to help make this latest round an effective one. The battle is to be joined afresh in Columbia on 8 January 2000, the Saturday before the Legislature returns for the 2000 session. This event, billed as a Southern Heritage Celebration, offers the opportunity to make a monumental statement history and heritage of our Confederate forebears.

This event is a must-attend event for every Compatriot of the SC Division! The Executive Council of the SC Division met 3 October 1999 in Columbia and voted unanimously to participate in this event! Commander-in-Chief Rick Griffin, the three Army commanders and any Division commanders are aggressively orchestrating participation within their administrative jurisdictions. Numerous busloads of compatriots from all over the Southland have already made definitive plans to be in Columbia for this historic occasion. SCV is uniquely equipped, both in terms of numbers and experience, to spearhead this effort, but we are grateful that this time we have allied organizations to stand with us.

Under the steady and able leadership of Past Commander and current ANV Committeeman Chris Sullivan, the coalition promises a packed weekend of Confederate-Southern Heritage activities. We send the message to our opponents that there will be no compromise in regard to the symbols or substance of those things which honor the memory of the Confederate soldier's good name. Let's all run full-throttle to make this a great day in defense of Southern heritage! Deo Vindice!

We are reburying Confederate Veterans in Charleston on 12 November 1999. I hope you will be in Charleston when a large number of our Confederate Veterans will be reburied at Magnolia Cemetery. This is a once-in-a-lifetime event and will signal to our opponents that we have a large number of supporters and are not a small, beleaguered group, as they suppose.

Plan now to attend the 2000 Division Convention at Florence. The application form for the Div. Convention is included in this Partisan issue. It is not too early to plan to attend. This will be an election year and the every Camp ought to be represented. Let's keep up the trend of excellent attendance began at Chester in 1999!

In devoted service, I remain

Ed H. Walker, Jr.

Daniel B. Verdin, III
Commander, South Carolina Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans



From: Rick Barbare,
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News from the Camps in the SC Division



First Brigade News Samuel McGowan's Brigade



Olde Abbeville Camp #39, Abbeville—

Richard B. Sanders, Jr., editor of *The Courier*, 106 Scenic Court, Greenwood, SC 29649

September 1999 Meeting: Olde Abbeville Camp #39 met on Monday, September 13. A tour of Oakley Park, (Edgefield, SC) home of General Martin W. Gary was arranged with members of the Edgefield Chapter #1081, United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. Amelia Davis Reese and other members of the Edgefield Chapter were our hostesses for the tour.

Outstanding 'Lion' of the Year Award: Adjutant Brabham Dukes was recently named "Outstanding Lion of the Year" by the Greenwood Lions Club. Congratulations, Adjutant Dukes, on receiving this coveted honor!

New member: We welcome new member **Kenneth Dale Shirley, Sr.** to Camp #39. Compatriot Shirley joins the SCV upon the record of his Great-Uncle, Private Ephraim P. Shirley, Company B, 1st Regiment (Butler's), South Carolina Infantry.

Brig. Gen. Samuel McGowan Camp #40, Laurens—

Mike Bryant, Commander, P.O. Box 453, Laurens, SC 29360-0453

June 1999 Meeting: The speaker was Mike Wadsworth whose subject was "Murder and Dueling during the WBTS."

Lt. Commander Steve Cline was in charge of this month's meeting, since Calvin Owings, George Frady, Bruce Quarles and Commander Mike Bryant were gone to Culpepper, Va. to participate in the reenactment of the Battle of the Wilderness.

July 1999 Meeting: The speaker was Past SC Division Commander Chris Sullivan. The subject was an update from "The Hunley Commission."

August 1999 Meeting: The speaker was Neil Rose whose subject was "McGowan's Brigade at the Bloody Angle."

Trip to Abbeville: On Saturday, August 7th a group of 21 from the McGowan Camp (including family

members) went to Abbeville. They toured the Trinity Episcopal Church, where General McGowan was a member as well as a Deacon. They also visited the church cemetery, where 19 Confederate Soldiers are buried. After an enjoyable lunch at the Veranda Café, they toured the Burt-Stark Mansion where the Confederate government came to an end, with "the last cabinet meeting."

Last Roll: Compatriot **Martin Hairston** recently passed away.

2nd Regiment, SC Volunteers, Camp #71, Pickens—

"The Thin Gray Line," Trisha Masters, Editor, P.O. Box 1477, Pickens, SC 29671-1477 tdmasters@easley.net website: www.easley.net/caudelHSCV/camp71/index.html

September 1999 Letter: Upcoming Event: "Old South Social," Saturday, December 4.

Palmetto Sharpshooters Camp #1428, Anderson, SC—

"Palmetto Sharpshooter," Dan Snipes, editor, 5322 Porter Rd., Pendleton, SC 29670, e-Mail: dansnipes@hotmail.com

June 1999 Letter: Bruce Price, shared his experiences as a young lieutenant in the 24th and 30th Infantry Divisions in World War II. Bruce saw combat in the Philippines and his story is one that was long overdue for a proper telling.

New member Jerry Stargel joined at the May meeting on the record of his great-great-grandfather, William C. Stargel. Pvt. Stargel served in Co. D of the First Regt., Blue Rangers of Georgia.

The camp also welcomed new member **Bryon "Doug" Shaw** who joined on the record of his great-great-grandfather, Caleb M. Shaw. Pvt. Shaw served in Co. K, First SC Infantry (Gregg's).

The camp recently donated James I. Robertson's highly-acclaimed biography of Stonewall Jackson to the Anderson County Library.

July 19, 1999 Letter: Last Roll—A member of our camp, **Dr. Evans A. "Steve" LaRoche, 77**, passed away Friday, July 16, 1999. His Obituary is as follows:

Clemson—Evans Allen "Steve" LaRoche, 77, of Clemson, died Friday, July 16, 1999. Born on Wadmalaw Island, SC, he was the son of the late Edward E. LaRoche and Sarah Grinnall LaRoche. He was educated in the public schools of Johns Island, SC; received his B.S. degree in 1942 from Clemson College, his masters degree in 1951 from Georgia Tech and his Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina in 1971.

He was an officer in the US Army during World War II (1942 to 46) and the Korean War (1951 to 52). From 1946 to 1951 and also from 1953 to 1966 he was a member of the US Army Reserve. He was awarded the Bronze Star for merito-

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rious service during the Korean War.

He was Professor Emeritus of Management at Clemson University, having been a faculty member from 1948 to 1983. He was a founding member of the University Faculty Senate and served as its vice president during his second term. He was a life member of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society and served terms as secretary and president. He was a member and senior member of the American Society of Quality Control from 1956 to 1989. He was the secretary and executive secretary of the Textile and Needle Trades Division of the ASQC for 12 years.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Clemson. At various times he was a vestryman, Senior Warden, and treasurer. He was a member and secretary of the Golden K. Kiwanis Club in Clemson.

He is survived by his wife, Mellie Clark LaRoche and 1 son and 2 daughters.

After a private burial in St. Paul's Churchyard in Pendleton, a memorial service was held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 1999, at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Clemson.

August 1999 Meeting: The Camp met Thursday, August 19, 6:30 p.m. at Mama Penn's. The speaker was Danny Day who is a member of the Seneca Camp who spoke on one of the more obscure battles which occurred here in South Carolina: "the Battle of Honey Hill."

New member: Brooks Brown joined at the July meeting on the record of his great-great-grandfather, John William Brown, who served as a private in Co. "B," Rion's Company, SC Enfield Rifles.

New member, Compatriot Lawrence Jolly made the Anderson paper on a December Sunday morning during World War II. (pictured below from the Anderson Independent)



"Kinsman of Famous Manson Jolly now Serving with Uncle Sam's Army. Descendant of Confederate who Probably Killed Off More Yankees than Any Other South Carolinian."

General George Marshall may not know it, but one of the young men now wearing the uniform of the

United States Army is a descendant of a certain Confederate gentleman who probably killed off more Yankees than any other South Carolinian before or since.

The young man is Pvt. Lawrence Henry Jolly, who last week graduated from the Quartermaster Motor Transport School at Fort McPherson, Ga. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Manson S. Jolly, of Route 2, Pendleton, SC. Not far distant from the present Manson Jolly home stands another home by the same name, but long ago converted into a tenant house. Here once lived the famous Manson Jolly of reconstruction days, the unsundered Confederate who became the champion of the oppressed, and later the hero of the novel "A Maid of the Foot-hills."

If Pvt. Lawrence Henry Jolly makes as good a soldier for General Marshall as Manson Jolly did for General Lee, then he's destined to carve a fancy swath in the war that may be just over the horizon.

Second Brigade News

Moses Wood Camp #125, Gaffney—

"The Rebel Yell," S.H. Dill-Little, editor, 109 S. Johnson St., Gaffney, SC 29340

June 1999 Meeting: Billy Strain has set a new tombstone for Pvt. Edwin Sarratt and Comp. Marshall Cooper has received a new stone for J. S. W. Scruggs.

At the meeting J. Tracy Power discussed his book, *Lee's Miserables*, on the letters between Pvt. Calvin Conner—a member of the 5th. SC, Co. G., Palmetto Sharpshooters (Gen. Micah Jenkins)—and Ellen O'Leary.

The Camp has received a VA Marker for the unknown Confederate Soldier, who lies in Oakland Cemetery. Comp. Billy Strain has located another soldier, at Salem Church, which brings the total number of Confederates, buried there to 17. For many years, only eleven graves had been documented in this Churchyard.

Mr. E. M. Clark visited Gaffney in June to check out the gravesites that have been restored by Compts Jerry and Randy Fowler and he was impressed with all their good work.

July 1999 Meeting: Guest speaker, Col. Jim Ridge—Cmdr. of the Newberry Camp #135 and Col. of the 13th. Palmetto Battalion—addressed the members and guests. His topic was "Southern Heritage Explained."

Comp. Charles Jones has reset the stone on Pvt. William George's grave, and also placed 13 Flags on the Confederate Veterans located at El Bethel Cemetery. He also discovered another veteran buried at Oakland Cemetery—Pvt. B. F. Holmes. There is a Southern Cross of Honor, but his grave is hidden behind a cedar tree.

Comm. Dill and Lt. Comd. Phillips have set the stones for Conf. Veteran J. C. Petty in the Petty Family Cemetery and three other stones at Corinth Church.

August 1999 Meeting: Mr. Tom Addison, guest speaker and art-

ist, from Williamson, SC, took the podium. He had on display several of his paintings, named "First Shot" and "Last Shot" (of the WBTS).

New Member: Mr. Charles Jones.

Farewell to a Faithful Chaplain and Compatriot—Our Chaplain, Paul Noel, has taken a new church in NC. "Brother Paul" is a charter member of Camp Moses Wood and has served as Chaplain for the last five years. Editor—"Thank you, and well done, Chaplain Noel!"



Pictured above is the grave of Moses Wood

States Rights Gist Camp #1451, West Springs, SC

The Gist Gazette, Randy Hall, editor, 639 Stafford Ave., Spartanburg, SC 29302

June 1999 Letter: Last Roll—Once again, the camp mourns the recent passing of members and friends. Roy Blair and Joe Sumner recently passed away.

New Members: Guy Carter and John Moss.

Camp Business: Thanks to Eddie Davis for an outstanding demonstration and program on "19th Century Artillery."

July 4th Holiday Celebrated at West Springs: The camp celebrated July 4th with the Community of West Springs on Saturday, July 3. Camp members participated in the parade through the Community and gathered for a great, traditional meal of barbecue and all the fixings. Camp member Eddie Davis brought his mountain howitzer, equipment, and gun crew, comprised of several camp members. The crew demonstrated drills and firing techniques and actually fired the gun twice for the crowd.

Camp Participates in Saluda Coon Dog Day: The camp was well represented at the 1999 Saluda, NC Coon Dog Day festival on July 10th. Once again, our fine color guard livened up the event, and the group of nine reenactors marched in the parade and stopped periodically to fire their rifles.

July Meeting: The July meeting was held on July 3rd following the West Springs July "4th" picnic. Compatriot Billy Willingham was sworn in and a touching proclamation from the National Headquarters honoring Joe Wilson Hyatt, recently deceased, was read.

September 1999 Letter: The annual lantern tour at Rose Hill Plantation, home of the Secession Governor, William Gist, was held on September 25th. Tours, which lasted from 35 to 45 minutes, were conducted at 8, 9, and 10:00 p.m.

It is great to be able to show our children another great piece of our

heritage preserved. "Wyoming," the plantation house and birthplace of our camp's namesake, General States Rights Gist, stands proudly to this day near Jonesville. Though the house has been moved a short distance across US 176 from where it originally stood, it has been lovingly restored. The deed to the plantation was recorded by the General's father, in 1811. The name "Wyoming" was taken from a poem of the day, "Gertrude of Wyoming." The home is located in front of the service entrance of the Disney Distribution Center.

Micah Jenkins Camp #1569, Rock Hill—

"Honor the Gray!" Brian Cauthen, editor, 1882 Steeplechase Dr., Rock Hill, SC 29732

June 1999 Letter: The Camp's yard sale on April 24 was a success.

Unity Cemetery Update: We received a note from the Archivist of the Virginia Division regarding our request for information on the service of **Greene Burns**. The only Green Burns listed under Confederate service was from Arkansas.

August 1999 Letter: At our July meeting we inducted new member **Charles Edwards** into the Camp.

September 1999 Letter: At our August meeting, we voted to move our meeting place back to the Carolina Country Barbecue just off Ebenezer Road beginning with the September meeting. We will eat at 6:00 and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

New Member, Mr. Steve Davis was accepted into our membership during the August meeting.

Marker Placed: As the final piece of tribute to the two Confederate soldiers buried at Old Unity Cemetery in Fort Mill, the camp placed a replica Southern Cross of Honor in front of the marker dedicated during the Memorial Day service. Thanks to Andy Strickland for his work on the beautiful marker. A special thanks goes to Mr. Jimmy Glenn for donating the cross for the marker. Mr. Glenn purchased this cross at the Division Convention.

Third Brigade News

Maxcy Gregg's Brigade



John M. Kinard Camp #35, Newberry—

"Newbury Reports," Charles Hanson, editor, 2702 Collinswood Dr., Newberry, SC 29108

July 1999 Meeting: The speaker was 3rd Brigade Commander Charles Hanson. He presented a program on "the SC election of 1876."

August 1999 Meeting: Wednesday evening, August 4, 1999, at 7:00 PM at the Back Porch Restaurant in Prosperity. The program for this meeting was presented by Mrs. Mauriel Joslyn who spoke on her new book on General Patrick Cleburne.

September 1999 Meeting: The program for this meeting was presented by Mr. Tim Foster of the States Right Gist Camp, on "Black Confederates."

Milledge Luke Bonham Camp #48, Saluda—

"The Denny Dispatch," Roy Vandegrift, editor, 109 Angel St. Saluda, SC 29138-1001.

July 1999 Meeting: Speaker Glenn Dedmond opened his talk on "Black Confederates" by singing 3 songs that white Confederates sang about black women. He noted that in 1860 there were more free Blacks in SC than in Massachusetts—9914 to 9602. Between 60,000 and 90,000 Blacks served in combat roles, and about 300,000 Blacks served in support roles during the War.

August 1999 Meeting: It was hot at Pine Grove School!!! Scribe Roy Vandegrift bought the program on the "CSS David," the first successful torpedo boat. The informative talk included slides and a booklet

on the subject.

The Ridge Spring cemetery is being inventoried by Compatriot Robert Randall. [Good job, Robert!]

New Member—Phil Metts, Jr. joined the Camp tonight.

July 1999 Letter: The Ball Committee reported that Mr. Robert Shaw's band has been invited to play and is currently considering our offer. Quartermaster Dan has talked to RJ's Confederate Color Lab of Lexington to be the Ball photographer.

Two new members were voted in to Camp #48—Compatriot **Tim Price** and Compatriot **Robert Randall**.

Order of Confederate Rose meets in Columbia Sat., June 26—The members from our Anne Patience Bonham Chapter met with both the Charleston and the Greenville Chapters to begin a statewide organization. The SC State OCR will host the National convention next year in Charleston. Attending the convention from the Bonham Chapter were: Shirley Adams; Mary Helen Kirkland; Marie Metts; Sheila Randall and Dorothy Perry. ["Great job, Ladies!"]

Upcoming Saluda Event on Oct. 30—"Antique Tractor Show"—SCV Camp #48 will be involved. Some of us will be camping out; others will be working in several roles. Re-enactors will be drilling, looking smart, and doing 19th Century soldierly impressions.

A Cook Out at Pine Grove School was held on Saturday July 17 at noon. This was a family affair. Compatriot Raiford and 2Lt. Cmdr. Bobby Adams cooked the burgers and hot dogs. This was a 'laid back' time—shorts and tee shirts—not anything like a 'Camp work day'.

The Bonham Camp's Confederate Christmas Ball—Tickets are available now at \$20 per person. At the door they will cost \$25 per person. For information contact: Mr. Roy Vandegrift, our Ball chairman.

Reenactor Goes to the Battle of the Wilderness—Camp Commander Dwayne Black, Private, Co. G, 13th SC Vols. is now a Veteran of the Battle of the Wilderness. "There were thousands of soldiers in a column at least a mile long, and 4 abreast," he commented. Brigadier General Samuel McGowan was there—portrayed by Col. Jim Ridge, Palmetto Battalion. Dwayne's ancestor had fought there.

"Real Daughters' Ceremony" held at the 'Pull-It' Festival in Saluda—Camp #48 decided to honor Saluda County's 'Real Daughters' of Confederate Soldiers during the Pull-it Festival. Ridge UDC District Director, Ms. Donna Harris, Ms. Betsy Bloomer of the Berry Benson UDC Chapter #2584, and Mrs. Eloise Verdin, President of the Laurens Chapter of the UDC and mother of the state SCV commander, participated in the Ceremony.

The four Real Daughters are:
1. Ms. Lois Addy (age 103), daughter of Mr. West Smith Crouch,

Company K, 2nd Regiment Artillery;

2. Ms. Dorothy Coleman, daughter of Pvt. Henry Lucian Duffie, Company E, 1st State Troops

3. Ms. Mae Baird Snelgrove, daughter of Captain Henry Belton Baird, Co. A, 15th Regt. SC Infantry; and,

4. Ms. Julia Rodgers DuBose, daughter of Pvt. James Andrew Rodgers, Co. B, 14th SC Infantry.



The oldest of the daughters, Miss Lois Addy (pictured above with Div. Commander Danny Verdin), was the only one present to receive the Real Daughter Medal in person and to address the assembly. Great Confederate spirit in a gracious lady!

Wade Hampton Camp #273, Columbia—

"The Legionary," Arnold Huskins, Editor, 205 Shopshire Dr., Columbia, SC 29209

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June 1999 Letter: R u s t y Rentz Steps Down as Confederate Memorial Day Committee Chairman—Since 1990, Marion Hutson, Mike Powell, and Rusty Rentz have served on the Division Confederate Memorial Day Committee. This has been an honorable means by which the SCV, UDC, and the Palmetto Battalion have remembered and honored our Confederate ancestors. The Gen. Wade Hampton Camp does ninety percent of the planning and operation to and to make this day a success. Having served in this capacity for ten years, Commander Rentz feels it is time to step down and allow someone with new ideas and a fresh energy to assume this duty.

July 1999 Letter: "Compatriot Fetter Reports on CMD in Charleston"—I wanted to let you know that our Gen. Wade Hampton Camp #273 was represented at the Confederate Memorial Day and celebration at Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston on May 8th. It was a beautiful day in the Low Country and the entire ceremony was really inspirational and a wonderful...experience for all who attended.

Sen. McConnell was the main speaker, and his message of the day was that it is unfair for the politically correct disciples to judge the morals and minds of the Confederates of the 1860's, especially when compared to things that are going on in this country.

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UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS FOR SALE



The Mary Boykin Chestnut Chapter of the UDC is offering its lovely Confederate Christmas ornaments for sale again this year.

In 1997, the chapter offered the ornament with the State House Dome on it with all three flags flying on top.

In 1998 they featured Gen. Wade Hampton's likeness.

This year the ladies feature the likeness of General Robert E. Lee on its 1999 ornament.



All three are available for the price of \$6.00 each plus S/H. (1997 & 1998 ornaments are in limited quantity.) For information or purchase call Nita Keisler at (803) 894-3714.

"We have all three ornaments and appreciate the quality and beauty of them. They look lovely on a Confederate Christmas Tree." — Rick Barbare



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try today.

This was my first CMD in Charleston and three things in particular, stood out: 1. the dignity and reverence of the entire ceremony; 2. the retiring of the old colors from the previous year and the posting of the new colors for the upcoming year; and, 3. the singing of "Dixie" (no musical accompaniment) to end the ceremony. —Tim Fetner.

Last Roll: Compatriot Edwin M. Prince: 1932-99. The Hampton Camp extends its condolences to the family of Compatriot Edwin M. Prince of Loris, SC who passed away on Monday, July 5th at the age of 67 years. Compatriot Prince was a Mason, a veteran of the Korean War, and extremely proud of his membership in the SCV and the Hampton Camp. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, his daughter, Julie, and nephews, Compatriots Joseph D. Hughes Jr. and Howard Hughes.

Adjutant's Report by Marion Hutson: At the June meeting Compatriot Allen Thigpen, author of a book on Potter's Raid, gave an excellent presentation on "the Battle of Boykin's Mill," which occurred in nearby Kershaw County in April 1865.

At the July meeting Division 1st Lt. Cmdr. Max Jackson spoke on "the Adventures of the CSS Shenandoah,"—the last ship to lower the Confederate flag.

August 1999 Letter: Several Compatriots have expressed an interest in a field trip to the battlefields in Virginia. This would be sometime in the fall of the year and would probably be three days and two nights. Anyone that might be interested in this trip should contact Commander Rentz at home or at a camp meeting.

Paul Quattlebaum Camp #412, Batesburg-Leesville: "The Quattlebaum Rifle," Joey Frazier, 149 New Market Dr., Lexington, SC 29073

June 1999 Letter: The May 1999 meeting of the Gen. Paul Quattlebaum Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans was held on May 25, 1999, at Shealy's Barbeque in Leesville.

John Bigham of the South Carolina Confederate Relic Room gave a presentation on Confederate Images. This was a very interesting slide show which included numerous pictures from the war.

August 1999 Letter: The July 1999 meeting was held July 27, 1999 at the B&L Leisure Center in conjunction with the July meeting of the Ridge Amateur Radio Club. There were 19 camp members and visitors present for this special communication.

Speakers Cliff Manasco and Mike Rodgers presented a very interesting program on the development and history of the Signal Corp. According to the program, the flag or "wig wag" system was developed in the 1850's by Albert J. Myers. During the War Between the States, the casualty rate for Signal Corp members was about 80 percent — 120 percent at Gettysburg. The pay for Signal Corp was \$13 per month which was the same as a private in the infantry. However, Signal Corp was the only branch of the military not issued a rifle.

Joe Wheeler Camp #1245, Aiken:

"The Wheeler Dispatch," Winchester Smith, Editor, P.O. Box 444, Williston, SC 29853-0444

June 1999 Meeting: This month's meeting was held jointly with the Gary Camp of Edgefield. A tour of Oakley Park was given by the very congenial director, Mrs. Amelia Davis Reece. The joint meeting in Edgefield with the Martin W. Gary Camp at their historic and beautiful Oakley Park was one for the scrap-

book. Commander Minor and his camp were very gracious hosts and very knowledgeable. The Edgefield boys were crazy about David's barbeque [Hog Heaven, in Aiken, SC].

July 1999 Meeting: Several compatriots brought WBTS related items and artifacts. This impromptu "show and tell" proved to be entertaining and educational. Several artifacts were our ancestor's actual belongings and many others were authentic pieces. The homemade peach ice cream was a hit!

Our camp has been offered and has accepted the Adopt-a-Parkway section from Park Ave. to Hampton St. that includes the Confederate Monument and the Battle of Aiken Memorial. This is what we've been waiting for a long time now.

August 1999 Meeting: Compatriot Tom Thomas briefed the camp on the SCV National Reunion, held in Mobile, Alabama. One important announcement was that the next year's reunion will be held at the Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston on August 2-5, 2000. After Tom's briefing, an exceptional disquisition on small arms projectiles was provided by Compatriot Cliff Tennant.

Camp Member Presented MOSB Award: At the recent National Convention, Tom Thomas received the MOSB Commanding General's Award for exemplary contributions to the cause of the Confederacy while serving the Commanding General.

Martin Witherspoon Gary Camp #1532: "Bald Eagle," Rick Barbare, editor, P.O. Box 12, Trenton, SC 29847-0012 RickBarbare1@Juno.Com

The Gary Camp has done a great job of marking veterans' graves in Edgefield County. Through the help of UDC member Betsy Rae "Ms. Confederate Veteran herself" Bloomer, we have access to a 1300-name list of veterans buried in the county. J. T. Minor has a storage room in the basement of his home where 50+ markers have rested before being placed on Veterans' graves. Bob Rude has personally placed 30 VA stones in the past 12 months.

Last Roll of Gary Camp: Eureka—Mr. Rufus Henry Minor Jr., 66, of 571 Old Fryer Road, died, Monday, July 12, 1999, at Dwight D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m., Thursday, July 15, 1999 at Elmwood Cemetery, Ninety Six, SC, with the Revs. John Arthur, Pastor of Eureka Baptist Church, and Rick Barbare, Pastor of Edgefield Presbyterian Church and Chaplain of the M. W. Gary Camp #1532, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Edgefield, SC, officiating.

Mr. Minor, a native of Greenwood, was a Navy retiree and a veteran of the Korean conflict and the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a member of the Martin Witherspoon Gary Camp #1532, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Jean Hastings Minor; three sons, Kenneth Wade Minor, Port St. Lucie, FL; J. T. Minor, Vacluse (Commander of the M. W. Gary Camp, SCV, Edgefield, SC), and Rufus Henry Minor III, Monetta (member of M. W. Gary Camp, SCV); a daughter, Bonnie Sue Young, Joanna; a brother, James Henry Minor, Gig Harbor, Wash.; a sister, Mildred "Sue" Reid, San Jose, Calif.; and 10 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jason Blue, Josh Blue, Billy Hastings, Jimmy Hastings, John Price and Gene Price. Friends called at the residence of Sue Wallis...Greenwood.

The family received friends from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 1999, at Harley Funeral Home, Greenwood.

General information from *The Augusta Chronicle*, July 14, 1999, with additional information supplied by Rev. Rick Barbare.

Reprint of a recent 'letter to the editor'—by Gary Camp member, Glenn Dedmond—printed in 8 August 1999, *The Augusta*

Chronicle, "Tells 'rest of the story' of slavery"

I read with interest the July 28 article entitled "Colonial Williamsburg says slavery program important." The program called "Enslaving Virginia" was also given coverage on the July 29 "Today Show." Since they've brought it up, I hope they will eventually tell the whole story.

In August 1619, a ship was forced ashore at Jamestown, Va., by bad weather. John Rolfe noted the captain and crew were a scurvy and disreputable lot and had aboard 20 Africans, stolen from a ship bound for Brazil, that they wished to trade for food and supplies. The Virginians, wanting to get rid of the pirate/smugglers, paid the price and the 20 Africans came ashore, not as slaves but as indentured servants.

Many of us in the South can trace our ancestry back to an indentured servant, desperate to get away from the misery in Europe, who allowed someone to pay his or her way to the new world. After a period of servitude the indentured servant was given freedom papers and, according to law, as much as 40 acres of land. This system gave hope to the hopeless.

These 20 Africans probably never knew what a blessing the storm was that blew them ashore at Jamestown. Make no mistake about it, these 20 Africans were not slaves for slavery was not allowed at Jamestown.

One of these Africans, now remembered by the name Anthony Johnson, must have been an industrious, hardworking man because by 1623 (only 4 years after his arrival) he had earned his freedom. He married another of the 20, Isabella. Their son William, the first black child born in the new world, was christened in the Church of England.

In 1650, Virginia's population was about 30,000, of whom 300 were blacks. These were no more slaves than the 4,000 white indentured servants who worked off their passage to the new world.

The first judicial approval of "life servitude" (i.e., slavery) in Virginia other than for a crime was in 1654 When Anthony Johnson of Northampton County convinced a court that he was entitled to the lifetime services of John Casor, a black.

[Glenn, great job, as always!]
Bob Rude's Veteran Marker Placements for 1998-99

by: Robert Rude, 13th SC Vols., Palmetto Batt., M. W. Gary Camp #1532, SCV

All are in Saluda County, SC where Bob resides.

1. H. T. S. T. Duffey, 7th SC Reg., Co. D
2. John Jacob Shumpert, 20th SC Reg., Co. F
3. John Henry Bradley, Hampton Legion, Co. B
4. Richard H. Goodman, 9th SC Reserves, Co. K
5. L. Dereck Riley, 2nd SC Art., Co. K
6. West McGee, 2nd SC Art., Co. K
7. Charles Carson, 19th SC Reg., Co. D
8. 2nd Lt. Thomas Carson, 2nd SC Reg., Co. B
9. Joseph B. Duffey, 19th SC Reg., Co. F
10. Hugh P. Duffey, 7th SC Reg., Co. M
11. James Riley, 14th SC Reg., Co. K
12. J. M. Riley, 24th SC Reg., Co. I
13. James Virgil Duffey, 7th SC Reg., Co. M
14. Hugh R. Duffey, 2nd SC Reg., Co. K
15. William Berry, 2nd SC Reg., Co. K
16. George Shumpert, 19th SC Reg., Co. D
17. Peter Shumpert, 2nd SC Reg., Co. K
18. William Horn, 14th SC Reg., Co. K
19. Fletcher Graddick, 7th SC Reg., Co. G
20. Eldred J. Riley, 19th SC Reg., Co. D
21. G. W. Mack, 2nd SC Reg., Co. K
22. Elbert E. Lott, WW I, 118th, Co. G
23. E. J. Amaker, 2nd SC Reg., Co. B
24. Jesse Lott, 19th SC Reg., Co. A
25. B. F. Payne, 7th SC Reg., Co. E
26. R. W. Payne, 7th SC Reg., Co. E
27. J. R. Payne, Rutledge Mounted Rifles
28. Lafayette Stevens, 14th SC Reg., Co. K
29. William Webb, 2nd SC Art., Co. K
30. William Owdom, 7th SC Reg., Co. G
31. Henry Griffith, 2nd SC Reg., Co. B
32. M. C. Smith, 2nd SC Reg., Co. G
33. Henry Lucien Duffey, 1st Militia, Co. E

Bernard E. Bee Camp #1575, Aiken:
"The Bee Cause," Roy H. Parrish, Jr., editor, P.O. Box 1863, Aiken, SC 29802-1863

July 1999 Letter: Confederate Memorial Day Columbia was observed on Saturday May 1st in Columbia South Carolina. 12 members of the Bee Camp attended the services.

Donations Presented: Commander Eugene Barron also presented a donation to the Palmetto Battalion, who said they will use the donation for flag restoration. He also gave a donation to the Women's Relief Society. Both of these donations were given for the groups participation in the Battle of Aiken.

Confederate Memorial Day Aiken County:—was celebrated on Sunday, May 2nd. Aiken's Mayor Fred Cavanaugh was the guest speaker. Members of the 14th South Carolina provided a Color Guard and fired a rifle salute at the Aiken County Confederate Monument. After the service, at the Confederate Monument the Bee Camp and 14th South Carolina Vols. paraded to the First Baptist Church in Aiken for a Service at the Grave of the Unknown Confederate Soldier. The 14th South Carolina fired another salute and the sang Dixie.

New Members: Compatriots Damon Coon and David Tanner.

Newest Guardian: David Coon.

August 1999 Letter: The Bee Camp's July Meeting was held at Mr. Osteen's log cabin in Coughton on the 10th. Compatriot Gary Koger made an excellent presentation about "his War Between the States artifacts."

September 1999 Letter: Battle of Aiken Report—The Committee, after much debate, has decided to move the location of the 2000 Battle. This year's Battle will be held at the Carolina Star outside of Windsor. This location will give us more flexibility, and will be much more spectator-friendly. This will be the 135 anniversary of the Battle of Aiken. The Bee camp has a new web page for the Battle of Aiken. <www.battleofaiken.org>

New Members: Michael E. Allen in honor of his Great Great Grandfather Bluford Turner Allen 2nd Sgt. Co A 32nd Regt. Mississippi Infantry; **Daniel L. Fodera** in honor of his Great Great Grandfather Pvt. James Bowden Tims, 3rd Regt. Texas Cavalry; and **Robert D. Hutcherson** in honor of his Great Grandfather Pvt. James B. Roberts 2nd Battalion Georgia Sharpshooters.

Berry Benson Camp #1672, North Augusta, SC:

"The Sharpshooter," Jim Seawright, editor, 803-279-6575, or e-mail jds269@aol.com.

Editor's Note: Jim Seawright is producing the Sharpshooter via e-Mail. This may be the first camp in the State to produce an e-Newsletter! Great job, Jim!

August 1999 Letter: Stephen D. Lee Banquet—This year's Lt. Gen. Stephen D. Lee Banquet will be held on Friday, September 24, 1999 at 6:00 p.m. The location of the banquet will be held at the Aiken Municipal Building and Conference Center at 214 Park Avenue in The Alley. The food this year will be catered by Sconyer's BBQ of Augusta, Georgia. Our banquet's proceeds will be used to purchase a South Carolina highway marker in honor of Sgt. Berry Greenwood Benson.

July 1999 Meeting: Our July meeting was a great meeting and we had a room full. We had Comp Rick H. Veal of the Brig. Gen. Samuel McGowan Camp #40 Laurens, S.C. He gave a very interesting talk on the rights of the South succeeding from the union in 1861. We also had Comp. Rick Barbare—Managing Editor of *The Palmetto Partisan* and member of the Brig. Gen. Martin W. Gary Camp in Edgefield. He had a good supply of *The Partisan*; he requested we pass them along to people who may find it of interest in the SCV Cause.

The Bradleyville Cemetery was cleaned this month but will need it again soon because of the season.

New Members: Jim Disney,

Ray McNeeley, Richard McKinney, and Grady Whitlaw.

September 1999 Newsletter: Our August 1999 meeting was great. We had Comp. Dan Reece tell us about the Butler Family and the important parts they played in South Carolina. Good job, Dan.

Also, Jason and Bobby put up a flag pole and the Stars and Bars over Berry Benson grave.

Fourth Brigade News

Joseph B. Kershaw Camp #82, Camden:

"The Long Roll," Jim J. Fox, editor, 9 Precipice Rd., Camden, SC 29020

In Memorium: A donation was made to the War Between the States Museum in Florence from our Camp in memory of Compatriot Frank McCain who passed away April 30th, 1999.

Richard Kirkland Statue: A Committee has been formed to explore the possibility of placing a large statue of Richard Kirkland at the Camden Archives and Museum. The Archives has agreed to allow the statue to be placed on the lawn between the building and Broad Street.

Richard Kirkland Movie: The Camp has been contacted by Kevin Hershberger of the Angel of Mayre's Height's Productions concerning the Richard Kirkland Movie. The film has been further delayed and is now planned for a much later date.

Confederate Website Wins Award: Your Long Roll Editor's Confederate Corner Website has been chosen for special recognition as one of the best Educational Resources on the Web by Researchers. The award was presented by the StudyWeb Group and information about them can be found at: <<http://www.studyweb.com>> Compatriots not familiar with the Confederate Corner and its information on Camden and Kershaw County during the Late Great Unpleasantness can access the website by typing: "Confederate Corner" or "GreySky 285".

August 1999 Meeting: Was held on August 18th. Program presented a view of the Summer Campaign of 1862 beginning in July with Jackson's movement from Richmond and concluding with the Army of Northern Virginia's return to Camp near Winchester and Gordonsville.

Kirkland Headstone: Thanks to Lt. Commander Smyrl and Louis Anderson for the quick and positive action in placing the tilting headstone on a permanent and visually pleasing foundation. Assistance was also provided by Steve Kelly and the Camden Concrete Company at no cost to the Camp.

New Flags have been placed at the Kirkland site in Quaker Cemetery. Wind and weather generally take their toll and flag replacement is required 3 to 4 times a year!

Pee Dee Rifles, Camp # 1419, Florence:

The Pee Dee Patriot, Donald O'Neal, editor, 900 Beverly Drive, Florence, SC 29501

June 1999 Letter: Our yard sale held June 12 was a success.

Flag on Permanent Display at Mt Hope Cemetery—A permanent Confederate flag is now on display at Mt Hope Cemetery. Thanks to WBTS Museum. The Museum has donated a First National Flag to be used at the Confederate Monument at Mt. Hope. Compatriot Bob Jones is presently taking care of flag duties.

July 1999 Letter: WBTS Museum gets New Brochures—Compatriot Bob Jones, Jr. owner of Ad Ventures Digital Imaging of Tamarack Florida did an outstanding job on the art work and printing of the brochures. Young Bob just happens to be the son of Bob Jones, Sr. of *The Pee Dee Rifles* and both are members of our Camp.

September 1999 Letter: Plans are moving ahead for the Division Convention in 2000 in Florence. If Camps wish to advertise in the program, contact the commander.

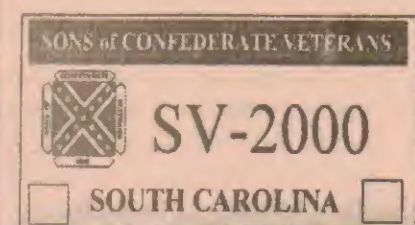
P. G. T. Beauregard Camp #1458, Sumter:

The Beauregard Bugle, Arnold Hoskins, O. D., editor, P.O. Box 6535, Sumter, SC 29154-6535

Palmetto State SCV License Plate Approved

From the *Beauregard Bugle*

With the Governor's signature, vehicle license plates for South Carolina's Sons of Confederate Veterans were recently approved under a law that grants all 501-status state organizations the right to have an official license plate. The SCV is the first organization to apply for the license plate under the new law.



SCV Resolutions

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doing so also honors and defends the symbols of their sacrifice and bravery. Therefore be it resolved that the Sons of Confederate Veterans does rebuke and condemn the actions of the NAACP in regards to the heroes, flag, and monuments of the Confederacy. Be it also resolved that the NAACP's campaign of misinformation against Confederate remembrance is unworthy of a great civil-fights organization as they claim to be. Done this 31st day of July, 1999, in Mobile, Ala.

August 1999 Letter: Ron Glancy Speaks on "Stonewall" Jackson's VMI Days Beauregard Camp Enjoys Fifth Annual Supper: Compatriots, their spouses, and their guests were the hosts of Compatriot and Mrs. Alvy Welch as the couple held its fifth annual July supper for the camp. Graciously, Compatriot Welch donates all proceeds from the supper to the camp. As a token of appreciation for their efforts, the Camp presented Mrs. Welch with a dozen red roses and Compatriot Welch with an afghan featuring symbols of the Palmetto State. The featured speaker for the evening was Ron Glancy who spoke on the topic "Gen. 'Stonewall' Jackson Before the War," describing the general's life in Lexington, Virginia as a professor at the Virginia Military Institute. Glancy explained it was Jackson's rigid adherence to his beliefs and to the concept of duty before the war that made him a superb Confederate General.

Fifth Brigade News

Hagood's Brigade



Col. Olin M. Dantzler Camp #73, Orangeburg:

The Edisto Rifle, Brian Cisco, editor, 151 Crosby St., Cordova, SC 29039

July 1999

Camp Members Invited to "Ladies' Night": "Buzz" Braxton, Commander of the Rivers Bridge Camp, invited the members of the Olin Dantzler Camp compatriots to their Ladies' Night meeting on Tuesday, July 20. "Bring your wives, lady friends or come alone," said Buzz. "We look forward to great fellowship with members of the Dixie Brigade."

Rivers Bridge Camp # 842, Fairfax:

"Buzz" Braxton, editor, *The Bridge*, Rt. 1, Box 81-M, Allendale, SC 29810

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News from the Camps in the SC Division

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Ladies' Night Program was Outstanding—A delicious meal was prepared by Camp #842 compatriots under the direction of Kenny Cone. The Steaks from Clyde Cone Meats in Ridge Spring were outstanding! Several present mistook them for 'mini-roasts' they were so large. Dr. Terry Rude, past South Carolina Division Chaplain, was the guest speaker. His address was on Abraham Lincoln. It was great! Thanks, Dr. Rude.

William H. Duncan Camp #1650, Barnwell—

Duncan Newsletter, 5612 Reynolds Rd., Blackville, SC 29817

Our memorial services on 4 May went very well with 66 people gathered to show their respect. We had a great lady honor us with her presence, Mrs. Gunnels—a Real Daughter.

We also had as our guest speaker Mrs. Betty Jane Miller who again made us realize that its great to be a Southerner and how its important to remember our past, as well as, look ahead to the future.

The memorial we did for Eddie Hair went very well also with at least 100 people there showing their support.

Important dates: August 19th 2000 is the 100th anniversary of the Confederate Monument in Barnwell. **October 9th 1999** is the 75th anniversary of the archway at the williston cemetery

For the celebration in August of 2000, we have Mr. Stan Clardy who will bring his play to Barnwell the Fri-

day night before.

New member: Mr. Jack Ridgeway joined under his great great grandfather O. R. Wood of Co. G, 3rd SC Cav.

Sixth Brigade News Secession Camp #4, Charleston—

"The Sentinel," J. Barry Gooch, editor and publisher, 1804 Widgeon Rd., Moncks Corner, SC 29461
jbgooch@worldnet.att.net

June 1999 Letter: Sy Mabie has been named as the new Chair of the Charleston 2000 convention.

April Meeting: On April 20th, the guest speaker was Dr. John Coussons, who is a Professor of History at the Citadel, where he served for two terms as Head of the History Department. He presented a very interesting lecture on the evacuation of Charleston during the latter part of "the late unpleasantness."

Highway Cleanup: The Camp picked up eighteen bags of trash in three hours on Glenn McConnell Boulevard on April 24th.

Great Idea for a Camp Outing: Lt. Commander Ed Moon is interested in a Camp outing to a baseball game to see the Charleston River Doss in action. He has come up with the cost based on a minimum of twenty five people.

The ticket includes all-you-can-eat, drinks and admission. The food will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The menu options are (per person):

Hot dogs and Hamburgers \$10.00
Hot dogs and BBQ Chicken \$12.00
BBQ Chicken and Ribs \$15.00
Shrimp kebabs and BBQ Ribs \$17.00
[Beverages up to individuals.]

[Ed, count me in whenever you can pull it together! I love those Low Country Compatriots! —Rick Barbare]

The Battle of Secessionville: Plans for the 1999 reenactment of the Battle of Secessionville are already

underway. This event is held annually at Boone Hall Plantation and is sponsored by the Confederate Heritage Trust (every Secession Camp member is a member of the Confederate Heritage Trust). The net proceeds from this event will again be donated to the Friends of the Hunley to help bring home our brave Confederate heroes who still lie at the bottom of Charleston harbor.

August 1999 Letter: Secession Camp was represented at the National Convention in Mobile by Compatriots Ed Moon, Jim Dickinson, Sy Mabie, Lex Crawford, Elmore Marlow, Mark Blalock and Clay Martin. The Division also had a good showing. The Snowden Chapter, OCR sent Jeanne Well, Anne Gelwicks and Pat Blitch. They helped publicize the 2000 Reunion and the Hunley Project.

Micky Davis Memorial Fund: The Battery Lamar Stewardship Committee has begun a Micky Davis Memorial fund to raise money to maintain the earthworks. As many of you know, Micky died last year... The camp collected [funds] in his memory.

Order of the Confederate Rose: Secession Camp is the sponsor of the Snowden Chapter, Order of the Confederate Rose. Ms. Jeannie Weil has been elected President of this new Chapter. Membership in the OCR is open to anyone who has an interest in supporting the activities of Secession Camp. Lineage to a Confederate ancestor is not a membership requirement.

Rick Hatcher Gives Slide Presentation on Light Artillery: Compatriot Hatcher, gave a splendid presentation on light artillery. If you missed the last meeting, you missed a very educational evening as Rick talked about his love—the big guns.

Ellison Capers Camp #1212, Moncks Corner—

"Capers Confederates," Randy Stewart

art, editor and publisher, P.O. Box 205, Isle of Palms, SC 29451-0205

June 1999 Letter: A nice crowd was on hand for the May meeting, including six visitors and prospective members. Randy Burbage from Secession Camp #4 was on hand to give an informative talk on the "Battles for Morris Island and Battery Wagner." Randy is chairman of the Confederate Heritage Trust and a member of the Hunley Commission. Randy also talked about the excavation for members of the crew of the Hunley who are buried beneath Johnson Hagood stadium. This began June 22nd and needless to say, many members of our Camp volunteered their time for this most worthy of causes. Bill Hutto reported to all that the Camp [Drawing] is going very well and that enough tickets had been sold to cover expenses and prizes. Commander Tony Hutto gave brief reports on the various activities of the Camp lately, including painting at Ft. Moultrie and the Confederate Memorial Day activities at Columbia and Biggin Church.

July 1999 Letter: June Meeting—A good crowd, including five visitors, attended the June meeting. Compatriot Wayne Tallent presented a program on Co. G, 15th Tennessee Infantry and the different regimental flags at Gettysburg. Compatriot Bill Hutto gave an encouraging report on the Camp [Drawing]. The Camp will donate five copies of "Last Rebel Yell" to the Berkeley County Library after the Head Librarian approves it. **Compatriot Wade Cheney** was inducted into the camp as our newest member. Welcome aboard, Wade. It was announced that Compatriots Randy Stewart and B M Webber would carry flags in the Carolina Day Parade on June 28th. The Camp voted to donate a Confederate Honor Cross to Compatriot Randy Stewart, to be placed on the gravesite of his Confederate ancestor. It was also decided to donate an additional Cross

Capers' Compatriots Participate in Hunley Dig



Ellison Capers Camp members dig for the remains of the Hunley Crew at Johnson Hagood Stadium in Charleston.

to each member of the Camp who may need one for his Confederate ancestor's final resting-place. Finally, the members held a lengthy discussion on rumored establishment of an SCV camp in Summerville and its impact upon our own camp. Several ideas were presented, including perhaps moving our camp to Summerville, while retaining its original name and current organization. It was finally decided to let the matter sit for awhile longer to see what develops.

September 1999 Letter: If you think the weather has been hot, you should be attending all the activities our Camp has been involved in!!

Our July trip to North Carolina for Captain David Silver's Southern Cross of Honor dedication was memorable in a hundred ways. (Captain Silver was an ancestor for our Adjutant, Randy Stewart.) We had (4) states attending with dignitaries, infantry, Color Guard, stunning music and all of it held in a setting that would touch your heart.

Southern Crosses of Honor Dedicated: On August 21st, we sponsored a Southern Cross of Honor dedication at the Weeks family cemetery. Three (3) Southern Crosses of Honor were placed. On August 28th, we were in Surrency, GA, sponsoring another Southern Cross of Honor ceremony for Ms. Jan Stewart.

New Members: Cain Griffin and Bob Moore.

War Service Medals were presented to Tony Hutto, Travis Williamson, Rock Bradham, and Bill Webber.

July 1999 Meeting: A huge crowd of members and visitors filled the Western Sizzler to hear one of our favorite speakers, Pastor Bobby Eubanks, speak on the role of women during the War Between the States. Dr. Eubanks' address was the focal point of the Camp's annual Ladies Night program. The drawing was held for the cash prizes in our Camp fundraising event. This year's winners are:

1st Prize—Kenny Tallent
2nd Prize—Bill Hutto
3rd Prize—C. Holling
4th Prize—George Barrineau
5th Prize—Bill Mavedoth

It was announced that Compatriot Randy Stewart would present a Southern Cross of Honor dedication

ceremony at the gravesite of a Confederate ancestor, David Silver, at the church in Kona, NC, on July 24th. No Camp business was conducted this night.

Camp Members Help Search for Hunley Crew: During most of July, several members of Gen. Ellison Capers participated in the search beneath Johnson Hagood Stadium for the remains of Confederate sailors and Marines. Of particular interest was the possibility of finding the five members of the first crew of the Hunley, who had been drowned when a wave or passing ship's wake accidentally swamped the boat.

Compatriot Johnnie Bates (pictured above in Confederate shirt) assists in removing the bones of an unidentified Confederate sailor. This particular skeleton, one of 27 discovered at the site, was under the floor of the Brigadier Room, a concrete block club/media room that is itself under the west stands of Johnson Hagood Stadium. Several concrete piers supporting stadium girders were poured directly in the cemetery. This room is actually built around one of these girders. Johnnie was present on practically every day of the dig, finding such artifacts as a broken headstone with no lettering and the remains of a Confederate sailor with North Carolina buttons.

A very sweaty and dirty Compatriot Bill Webber took a break near the uncovered grave of a Confederate sailor. Behind him was one of the concrete pads that help support the stadium stands. There may be additional bodies under these pads but until Johnson Hagood Stadium is torn down and replaced, we won't know for sure. Compatriot Webber sifted dirt from the dig area. Every single bucket of displaced soil was sifted for artifacts, bone fragments, and pieces of wood. This was one of the less glamorous aspects of this type of work but one that had to be done. Bill is a tireless worker who gladly lends a hand wherever he is needed. He took a two-week leave of absence from his job to participate in the dig.

Compatriot Johnnie Bates assisted in the removal of yet another set of remains.

Compatriot Randy Stewart also participated in the dig for several days and Compatriot Joe Knight spent several afternoons there taking pictures.



Sons of Confederate Veterans 2000 South Carolina Division Convention March 31 & April 1, 2000

REGISTRATION FORM



Pee Dee Rifles Camp No. 1419
819 Eleanor Drive
Florence, SC 29505

Accommodations: Ramada Inn
I-95 & US 52
2038 West Lucas St.
Florence, SC 29501-1399
(843) 669-4241

Please Print or Type

Name: _____ Guest: _____

Address: _____

SCV Camp Name & Number: _____

Rank, Title, and/or Real Son: _____

Registration Fee: \$30.00 each (no. of persons) _____ \$ _____

(Includes Friday night social, Saturday lunch and lunch entertainment; Tea for guests)

Late Registration (after March 1st) \$40.00 \$ _____
(Meals for convention Day Registrants Are Limited)

Ancestor Memorial (Before March 1st) \$5.00 each \$ _____

Display Table for SCV Camps \$15.00 \$ _____
Type of display, items for sale _____

Total \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Pee Dee Rifles Camp No. 1419
819 Eleanor Drive
Florence, SC 29505

Questions? Call: Convention Chair Allen Kelly (843) 662-0100 or Adjutant Marvin Privette (843) 667-8602

Room rates are \$48.95 + tax for single or double occupancy. This will apply until March 1, 2000. Tell the hotel you are with SCV when registering. Limited number of rooms available.

(See "Ancestor Memorial Order Form";
Photocopy multiple copies for more than one ancestor
and attach them to your application.)

October 1999 Palmetto Partisan Application Copy

Many thanks to all who helped with the mailing of the 'monster' July 1999 Palmetto Partisan. Wayne, Sharon, Jol Hen, and Gay. Thanks also to W.W. Mims, editor of The Edgefield Advertiser who printed it. I plan a SC Div. Conven. Issue in February and a CND issue in April.

You may want to photocopy the Registration Form and the Ancestor Memorial Form.

Ancestor Memorial Order Form (Copy multiple times for more than one ancestor, enclose \$5.00 each, and attach to your Convention "Registration Form")

Ancestor will appear in the program. Deadline is 1 March 2000

Your Name: _____

Camp Name: _____

Ancestor Name & Rank: _____

Company & Regiment: _____